



South Bend Legion Post No. 50 Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursday Evening 8 P. M. At the Chamber of Commerce.



LEGION ACTIVE IN SECURING VETERANS JOBS

Interesting Reports on Work of All-Inclusive Vet Body.

"To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness."

There was no unemployment problem when that phrase was incorporated into the Preamble to the Legion's constitution. The demand for labor still exceeded the supply. War babies were still being nurtured in the stock market. The "No Help Wanted" signs had been tucked away for seven years. And the service flag still flapped in the breeze of prosperity.

It wouldn't last, people said. It didn't. And the blow fell hardest on the man newly come home from the war. He got a job—in 1919. Perhaps he kept it through 1920. Then, in 1921, the axe fell. And the American Legion, scarcely two years old, found itself faced with one of the most severe, unemployment crises in the nation's history.

It was in the great industrial centers that the blow fell hardest and earliest. The Illinois Legion, for instance, found an unemployment problem on its hands as early as October, 1920, when 1,500 jobs were applied to it for work. At the peak of the crisis, the Legion estimates, there were 250,000 unemployed in Illinois, of whom 35,000 were veterans.

Swamped by jobless
The Illinois department was fairly swamped with the applications for work, and the effectiveness with which it tackled the problem is told in figures that speak well for the perfection of its employment organization and the earnestness behind the effort. When those 1,500 jobs came to it in October, 1920, the Legion was able to place only 60 of them. The following June, when the situation was close to its worst, 638 men were placed out of 2,250

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THE AMERICAN LEGION.**

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APPLICATION BLANK

Fill out and mail to Legion Headquarters, Chamber of Commerce Bldg., South Bend, Ind.

I want to become a member of the American Legion. Please accept this blank as my application for membership in South Bend Post No. 50.

(Please print) (First) (Middle) (Last)

Address _____

Work No. _____ Tel. No. _____

Military organization in which I served _____

State entered service _____

Discharged _____

Post occupation _____

Annual Dues \$5.00 _____

Initiation \$1.00 _____

Age _____

(Signature) _____

\$4.25

WILL CONGRESS HEED?

New York Times Expresses Views of Veteran Society of World War in Timely Editorial.

(From the New York Times.)

The American Legion, supporting General Pershing's appeal to congress to maintain the strength of the army at 170,000 men in order that the National Defense Act as amended shall not become a dead letter, stands on impregnable ground. Its position is in keeping with the constitution adopted when the Legion was formed. The patriotism which it sincerely professes is reflected in the following statement made at a hearing of the house military affairs committee on Thursday:

The American Legion recognizes the demand for retrenchment and reduction in governmental expenditures, but as practical men, who have learned the lessons of preparedness by the hard experience of war, we are confident that it would be a great mistake at this time to limit the proper functioning of the National Defense Act by a reduction in the estimates as submitted by the war department and approved by the budget committee. Any material cut will seriously affect an adequate national defense of our country and will tend to bring it down to what is recognized as a proper margin of national safety.

That is what Secretary Weeks and General Pershing have labored to make congress understand. It has been cool, if not indifferent. Proposals to reduce the army to 75,000

Duds, Whizbangs and H. E.

From the St. Joe County Sector

SUGGESTIONS OF A DOUGHBOY.
Being the Suggestions of a Doughboy on the Manner of Conducting the Next War, Together with Certain Reflections on the Conduct of the Last One.

That each doughboy entering the lines has attached to his collar an inflated toy balloon tied to the end of a 20-foot string. When he sinks out of sight in the mud, the other members of the squad, instead of wasting much valuable time probing around in the mud for him with their bayonets—a point which also entails certain physical discomfort over and above the line of duty for the probe—can speedily locate him by this device and dig him out.

(To be continued.)

PRE-WAR BASIS.
"Gibbs: 'I hear Deacon Backside has been very active in our 'Back to Normal' campaign.'"

Dibbs: "Yes, right after he came back from his visit to the city he called a meeting of the church board to reduce the wages of sin."

THE QUALIFIED COMMITTEE.
At a Legion post meeting in New Jersey, one comrade was reported to be sick and a motion was carried that a committee of three "be appointed to visit Comrade Jones, sympathize with him, and try to cheer him up."

Then it was reported that another comrade had been married since the last meeting, and the commander suggested that the post take suitable action.

"Send the same committee to see him," suggested a voice.

BOY—A BIT OF GANGWAY!
A husky negro applied for a job in a big ship building company and his fine figure and strength got him accepted. He was told to report to a certain department in the end of a mammoth building.

He hadn't gone 10 feet before he saw a sign above an alcove reading: "Stretch Here." Duplicates of this assailed his eye here and there, and then came a bigger sign which said: "To the Hospital." The odor of ether and other smells filled his nostrils and he turned back.

"Boss," he said to the man who had hired him, "Ah resigns. Ah'm through."

"Why, Sam, what's the matter? You're not afraid of danger, are you?"

"Nossuh, boss, danger Ah craves, but not wilful destruction, no suh!"

WE'LL SAY HE'S HARD.
Two negroes were lying behind a packing case on the docks at Brest.

pensation bill. Obtainable through your congressman.

Congressional Record: July 7, 1921, speech by Sen. Pittman of Nevada, pages 3,539 to 3,541; July 12, 1921, speech by Sen. Jones of New Mexico, pages 3,829 to 3,831; July 15, 1921, speeches by Sens. Walsh of Massachusetts, Pittman of Nevada and Trammell of Florida, pages 3,980 to 3,985, 3,988 to 3,989 and 3,993 to 3,996. If your senator or representative cannot obtain these copies of the Record for you, they may be had from the superintendent of documents, government printing office, Washington, D. C., in which case a charge of 25 cents for the three issues must be paid. They are also usually available in public libraries.

Editorials and articles in the American Legion Weekly: "Adjusted Compensation: Why and How," July 8, 1921, page 12; "Why I Favor Adjusted Compensation," by Rep. Joseph W. Fordney, July 15, 1921, page 3; "Adjusted Compensation and the People" (with official figures of compensation votes in states), July 15, 1921, page 10; "Mr. Harding and Compensation," July 29, 1921, page 10; "The Arithmetic of Compensation," by Sen. Porter J. McCumber, Aug. 19, 1921, page 9; "Compensation and a Nation's Honor," by Sen. Arthur Capper, Sept. 9, 1921, page 7; "Why I Am for Adjusted Compensation," by Silver Butte, Nov. 5, 1921, page 5; "Precedents for Compensation," by David Frisbie, Dec. 9, 1921, page 6; "Compensation—and a Financier," Dec. 23, 1921, page 15; "From a Federal Reserve Banker," Dec. 30, 1921, page 10.

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LEGION CALENDAR

DUES.
Still heading for a goal, and rolling in fit to make a record.

ADJUSTED COMPENSATION.
Appoint your best post speakers to present the Legion's case to your local Chamber of Commerce.

SERVICE CENSUS.
You're elected—see weekly for details.

ANNIVERSARIES.
Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays this month; Grant's centennial April 27th. And it will be five years April 6th since we went to war.

UNEMPLOYMENT.
The silver lining is beginning to show—get some of it into a jobless buddy's pocket.

COMMUNITY CO-OPERATION.
Remember the post's obligation to the community and translate it into action.

ENGEL'S CUT RATE
401 S. Michigan St. Opposite Grand Trunk

CIGARETTE PRICES

Camels 3
Lucky Strikes 3
Piedmonts 50c
Chesterfields 50c
Spurs 50c

Carton 10 Pkgs. \$1.55

Apply here for 1922 Auto, Motorcycle and Chauffeur Licenses.

COMPENSATION TO BE DISCUSSED BY COMMERCE BODIES

Educational Campaign to Be Started by South Bend Legion Men.

With the belief in mind that the American Legion campaign for the enactment of the Adjusted Compensation bill will be favored if understood, the posts throughout the country have started an educational campaign. The only opposition to the bill has come from the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. In part its tactics have been to have local chambers of Commerce pass resolutions condemning the Legion's bill and to use their influence with their senators and representatives.

Many chambers repudiated the stand of their national organization and are standing back of the Legion. The South Bend post plans an educational campaign before the local Chamber of Commerce to go on record before the bill. The following bulletin from national headquarters to the local post is self-explanatory:

The American Legion believes all the arguments in the fight for adjusted compensation are on its side.

Conducts Referendum.
The United States Chamber of Commerce believes the weight of argument is against the Adjusted Compensation bill. It is conducting a referendum among its local organizations requesting votes on the specific features of the Legion's bill. This vote must be completed by Feb. 28th. The United States Chamber of Commerce, as a national organization, has consistently opposed adjusted compensation.

The Legion's duty is plain. Individual posts must request local Chambers of Commerce to permit the best post speakers to appear before the chambers and present the Legion's case. Remember that the great enemy is ignorance, and the great remedy enlightenment. Most of the opposition to adjusted compensation comes from go-d Americans who do not understand the provisions of the Legion's bill.

The national chamber will count the ballots in Washington. But the fight will not be won or lost in Washington. It will be carried to an issue in every city and town which has a local chamber affiliated with the national body.

Select your best Legion speaker. Let him fortify himself with all the arguments and statistics in the case—a detailed list of sources of compensation information is printed on page 22. Ask your local chamber to allow you to present the Legion's case.

The time to act is NOW.

Big half-price sale—Vernon's.

Choice selection cut flowers and blooming plants. South Bend Floral Co., 122 N. Michigan st. 23-tf-28

Dr. Wegner, 534 Farmers Trust Bldg. 13-tf

No creditor can touch the proceeds of a life insurance policy. The wife and family have a prior attachment; that is issued by WALTER PEGAN, J. M. S. BLDG. 27-tf

WARM WEATHER COMING.
But do your little painting jobs now. We are closing out a job lot of paints at exceptionally low prices to take on the complete O'Brien line. Real bargains offered if we have your color. Reinhold's hardware store on Main st. 22-tf

Like a bad cold, you can't get rid of that nervous feeling every time you see a report in the paper about someone's store being robbed. The up-to-date business man is having the Green Agency, in the Farmer's Trust Bldg., insure his store. 27-tf

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From Generation to Generation



We are proud to announce that we have the agency for Heirloom Plate—the silverware, so good, that it is guaranteed for 100 years.

We are now showing a full assortment of the exclusive Cardinal design, which is the extreme of beauty and good taste.

You are cordially invited to come in and examine Heirloom Plate, which must be examined and weighed to be fully appreciated.

To grace your own table, or for gifts, we recommend Heirloom Plate, and shall be pleased to supply it in assortments, in chests, or by the single piece.

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Stop and Consider What You Can Save at VERNON'S

**SUITS HATS
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UNION SUITS SWEATERS**

Wilson Brothers' Shirts
Wool and Cotton Hosiery

At HALF PRICE

For The Children

You mothers who want your children neat appearing at the least cost can buy their clothes at

HALF-PRICE

SUITS, OVERCOATS, SWEATERS, WAISTS,
HOSE, GLOVES.

ALL THIS WEEK

DON'T PUT IT OFF
Come In Today!

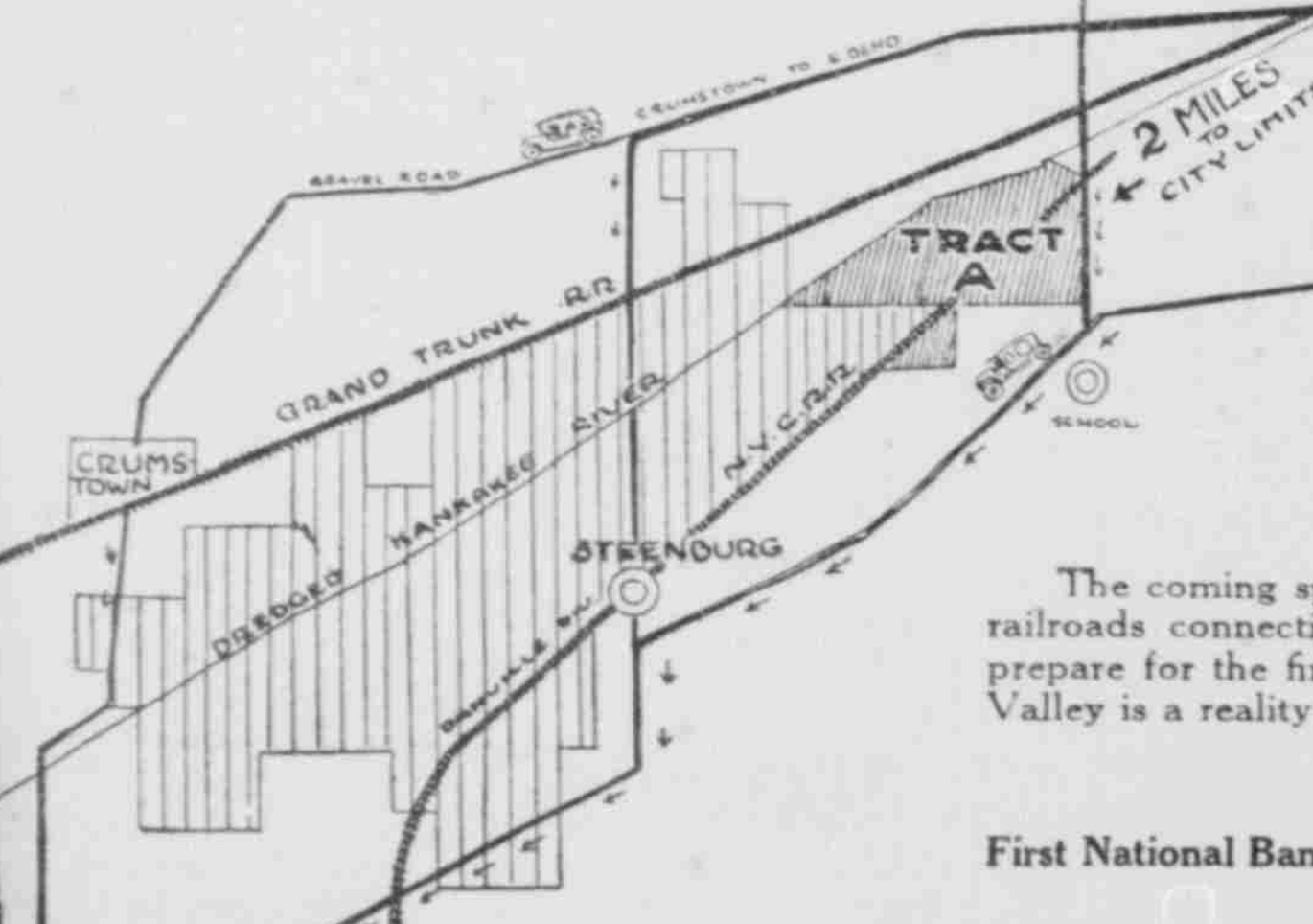
ALL THIS WEEK

VERNON'S

"Every inch a clothing store"

Tract Will Provide Greenstuffs for South Bend

Once more we present a map of South Bend and the conveniently located Steenburg Farms, which promise much for the city's growth. There are 47 truck farms in this Pleasant Valley tract, and many of them are already sold.



SOUTH BEND

MISHAWAKA

COMBINED POPULATION OVER 90,000

The coming spring will witness considerable activity in Pleasant Valley. Highways and railroads connecting it with the buying marts of the Middle West will be called upon to prepare for the first crops of celery, lettuce, peas, beans and other table delicacies. Pleasant Valley is a reality; Nature's preparations will soon be taken advantage of.

CHARLES P. GRAY CO.,
First National Bank Bldg., Chicago, Ill. South Bend Offices, 218 N. Michigan St.